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Applicant: AUSUBEL et al. Art Unit: 1638
Serial No.: 10/613,472 Examiner: Anne R. Kubelik
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Title: METHODS OF IDENTIFYING PLANT DISEASE-RESISTANCE GENES

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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Applicants respectfully appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated October 21, 2005 in which the Office finally rejected claims 1-7, 11 and 15 of the above-captioned patent application.

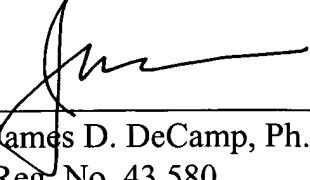
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